

Response under 37 C.F.R. §1.114
Serial No. 10/621,860
Attorney Docket No. 062373

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A method for certifying structural components of at least a portion of ~~structural components~~ an interior of a structure relative to moisture content, comprising the steps of:

measuring a plurality of moisture content levels within said structural components of said portion of the interior of the structure; ~~and~~

~~providing a certificate of moisture content level measurements~~

determining if each of said plurality of moisture content levels is within a desired level;

issuing a moisture level compliance certificate if the result of said determining step is that each of said plurality of moisture content levels is below the desired level; and

issuing a moisture level non-compliance certificate if the results of said determining step is that at least one of said plurality of moisture contents levels is not below the desired level.

Claims 2-4 (Cancelled).

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Claim 5 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a new construction.

Claim 6 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a remodel construction.

Claim 7 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is an existing structure in absence of significant new construction or remodel construction.

Claim 8 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a residential structure.

Claim 9 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said structure is a single family residential structure.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The method according to claim 1 ~~2~~, wherein said desired level is 20% or lower.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): A building moisture certification system, comprising:
moisture measurement apparatus for ~~determining~~ measuring a plurality of moisture

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content levels within structural components of a portion of a building to be certified; ~~and~~
~~a moisture content level measurement certificate that is issued certifying the~~
~~moisture content level determination~~

determining means for determining if each of said plurality of moisture content
levels is within a desired level, and

issuing means for issuing a moisture level compliance certificate if the result of
said determining step is that each of said plurality of moisture content levels is below the desired
level and for issuing a moisture level non-compliance certificate if the results of said
determining step is that at least one of said plurality of moisture contents is not below the desired
level.

Claim 12 (Cancelled).

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): The system according to claim 11 ~~12~~, wherein said criterion comprises moisture level being below 20% or lower.

Claim 14 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a remodel construction.

Claim 15 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a

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residential structure.

Claim 16 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a single family residential structure.

Claim 17 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is an existing structure in absence of significant new construction or remodel construction.

Claim 18 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is a new construction.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): A method for certifying an interior portion of a structure relative to moisture content, comprising the steps of:

measuring moisture content levels within structural components of said portion of the interior of the structure;

determining if said moisture content levels ~~is~~ are below a desired level; and

if the result of said determining step is that said moisture content levels are ~~is~~ below the desired level, providing a certificate of moisture content level compliance, but if the result of said determining step is that at least one said moisture content levels is not below the desired level, issuing a moisture content level non-compliance certificate.

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Claim 20 (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein said structure is an existing structure in absence of significant new construction or remodel construction.

Claim 21 (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein said building is a residential structure.

Claim 22 (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein said building is a single family residential structure.

Claim 23 (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein said structure is a new construction.

Claim 24 (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein said structure is a remodel construction.

Claim 25 (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein said desired level is 20% or lower.

Claim 26 (Original): The method according to claim 19, wherein said building is an office.

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Claim 27 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said building is an office.

Claim 28 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said building is an office.

Claim 29 (Original): The method according to claim 1, wherein said desired level is 18% or lower.

Claim 30 (Original): The system according to claim 11, wherein said desired level is 18% or lower.

Claim 31 (Original): The system according to claim 19, wherein said desired level is 18% or lower.

Claim 32 (Currently Amended): The method according to claim 1, wherein said moisture content level ~~determination~~ measurements are taken at locations selected from the group consisting of:

window frames, door frames, electrical outlets, locations where a vapor barrier has been cut, at a floor location, at a floor board, at a baseboard, at a wall[[s]] and at a ceiling.

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Claim 33 (Previously Presented): The system according to claim 11, wherein said structural components are selected from the group consisting of:

a window frame, a door frame, an electrical outlet, at a location where a vapor barrier has been cut, at a floor location, at a floor board, at a baseboard, at a wall and at a ceiling.

Claim 34 (Currently Amended): The method according to claim 19, wherein said moisture content level ~~determination~~ measurements are taken at locations in structural components selected from the group consisting of:

a window frame, a door frame, an electrical outlet, at a location where a vapor barrier has been cut, at a floor location, at a floor board, at a baseboard, at a wall and at a ceiling.